

Southeast Fishery Bulletin

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NOAA Fisheries Announces Sea Turtle Release Gear Workshops for Snapper-Grouper Permitted Vessels in the South Atlantic

NOAA Fisheries will conduct outreach workshops to review required sea turtle release gear for federal South Atlantic commercial or for-hire Snapper-Grouper permit holders.

The workshops will cover gear requirements, where to purchase or how to make gear, how to use the gear, and possible fines associated with not having the required equipment on board the vessel. The workshops will be held during August in Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina.

Workshop dates and locations:

Florida

August 17th 6:00-8:00 pm

Canaveral Port Authority 445 Challenger Road Port Canaveral, Florida

August 18th 6:00-8:00 pm

New Smyrna Beach City Marina 201 North Riverside Drive New Smyrna Beach, Florida

August 19th 6:00-8:00 pm

Daytona Halifax Harbor Marina 450 Basin Street Daytona Beach, Florida

August 20th 6:00-8:00 pm

St. Augustine Camachee Cove Marine 3070 Harbor Drive St. Augustine, Florida

August 21st 6:00-8:00 pm

Safe Harbor Seafood 4378 Ocean Street #3 Mayport, FL

Georgia

August 22nd 6:00-8:00 pm

Georgia Marine Extension Center 715 Bay Street Brunswick, Georgia August 23nd 6:00-8:00 pm

Phillips Seafood 1481 Sapelo Avenue Townsend, Georgia

August 24th 3:00-5:00 pm

UGA Marine Extension Center at Skidaway Island 30 Ocean Science Circle Savannah, Georgia

South Carolina

August 19th 10:00 am

Little River Fish House 4491 Water Front Avenue Little River, South Carolina

August 20th 10:00 am

Wahoo's Fish House 3993 U.S. 17 Business Murrells Inlet, South Carolina

August 20th 9:00 pm

Captain Dick's 4123 U.S. 17 Business Murrells Inlet, South Carolina

August 21st 10:00 am

Independent Seafood 1 Cannon Street Georgetown, South Carolina

August 22nd 2:00 pm

Chart House Restaurant*
2 Hudson Road
Hilton Head South Carolina
*The workshop will be held at the dock.

For information about the workshops in Florida or Georgia, contact Charlie Bergmann (<u>Charles.Bergmann@noaa.gov</u>) at 228-549-1760. For information about the workshops in South Carolina contact Nick Hopkins (<u>Nick.Hopkins@noaa.gov</u>) at 228-549-1767.